

CEQA Notice of Exemption

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Exemption Number: CE 24-121

Project Title (Application Number): 1st Street Pedestrian Improvements Project

Project Location – Specific: 1st Street between Pacific Ave and Long Beach Blvd

Project Location – City/County: **City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California**

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The 1st Street Pedestrian Improvements Project will improve mobility, walkability, and enhance the overall pedestrian experience along 1st Street between Pacific Ave and Long Beach Blvd through updated landscaping and plantings, colorful concrete paving, and refinished furnishings. This project aims to enhance connectivity and walkability in the downtown area as well as encourage the use of alternate transportation including Long Beach Transit and Metro.

Public Agency Approving Project: **City of Long Beach, California**

Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Long Beach Public Works Project Management Bureau

Exempt Status: **(Check One)**

- Ministerial (Sec 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15301 (e) Existing Facilities (highways & streets)
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Per Section 15301(e) the project only involves improvements to the existing road for better mobility, walkability and overall streetscape. No new lanes are proposed to be added.

Lead Agency

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